

III. CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) A data communications device, comprising:

a receiver for receiving items of textual information contained in a an incoming text message,

a data processor operable in response to the received items of textual information to automatically extract textual information directly from said incoming text message,

a plurality of keys each associated with a respective plurality of different text characters, the keys being operable by the user to produce an ambiguous key sequence corresponding to an item of textual information,

a memory configuration to store different ones of said ambiguous key sequences and to associate with each thereof at least one item of said extracted textual information corresponding to the ambiguous key sequence,

awherein the data processor is operable in response to the user actuating the keys to produce one of the ambiguous key sequences, to retrieve the extracted textual information associated therewith from the memory configuration to permit the user to disambiguate the produced key sequence,

wherein the receiver is coupled to the memory configuration, and is operable to identify, based on knowledge of the association of text characters to the plurality of keys, an ambiguous key sequence corresponding to an item of the received textual information in said incoming text message, and to store the item of received textual information in the memory configuration such that it is associated with the identified ambiguous key sequence.

2. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 1, including a display device to display the text items retrieved by the data processor so as to enable the key sequence to be disambiguated.

3. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 1, comprising a mobile telephone handset.

4. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 1, comprising a PDA.
5. (Cancelled)
6. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 1, wherein the text message is an SMS message or an MMS message.
7. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 1, wherein the text message is an email message.
8. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 1 configured for composing and sending text messages.
9. (Original) A device according to claim 8 configured for composing and sending an SMS message or an MMS message.
10. (Original) A device according to claim 8 configured for composing and sending an e-mail.
11. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 1 wherein the items of textual information are individual words.
12. (Currently Amended) A mobile communications device comprising:

~~a memory containing a dictionary of stored words,~~

~~a predictive text editor coupled to the memory to enable prediction of words input by a user, and~~

a receiver for receiving text messages,

a data processor operable in response to the received text messages to automatically extract textual information directly from said received text messages.

a memory containing a dictionary of stored words, and

a predictive text editor coupled to the memory to enable prediction of words input by a user,

wherein characterized in that the receiver is configured to selectively storesstore words contained in the ~~text messages~~extracted textual information in the memory for use by the predictive text editor.

13. (Original) A communications device according to claim 12, wherein the predictive text editor is a disambiguation text editor.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Previously Presented) A method of programming a communications device according to claim 1, comprising identifying an ambiguous key sequence corresponding to an item of received textual information, and storing an association between the identified ambiguous key sequence and the item of received textual information.

16. (Original) A method according to claim 15, including determining if the identified ambiguous key sequence is already stored, and if not, storing the identified ambiguous key sequence together with the association between the identified ambiguous key sequence and the item of received textual information.

17. (Cancelled)